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First Named Inventor	Joseph Rubinfeld
Art Unit	1623
Examiner Name	T.C. McIntosh, III
Attorney Docket Number	12636-263

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In re Application)	<u>Patent Application</u>
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Inventor(s): Joseph Rubinfeld, et al.)	Confirmation No. 2253
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Application No: 10/081,974)	Art Unit: 1623
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Filed: February 21, 2002)	Examiner: McIntosh, T. C., III
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Title: Sequential Therapy Comprising A 20(S)-)	
Camptothecin And A Pyrimidine Base)	
<u>Analog</u>)	

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114

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Introductory Comments:

Applicants submit this Amendment in response to the Office Action mailed on January 23, 2004. Also submitted herewith is Exhibit A which is a copy of a section in "Current Cancer Therapeutics", 3rd Ed., Kirkwood et al., pp. 118-119 (1998) which describes a water soluble camptothecin derivative, irinotecan or CPT-11. Reconsideration of the above referenced application is respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.